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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants: Hoeffler et al. Art Unit: 1641
Application No.: 10/035,368 Examiner: L. V. Cook
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Title: MICROARRAYS AND USES THEREFOR

MAIL STOP RCE
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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Sir:

This is a request under the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) to extend the period for filing a response to the Office Action mailed September 24, 2003.

The requested extension is for Three (3) Months, extending the period for response from

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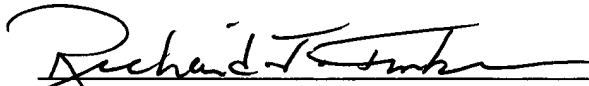
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Enclosed is Check No. 556348 in the amount of \$1,712.00, which includes payment of the Three (3) Months extension of time fee (\$950.00). The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any other fees that may be associated with this communication, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 50-1355. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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